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1. The Ministry for Construction (Aufbau).

    a. It is reliably forecast that either State Secretary Wilhelm Mayer or
        Scholtz (fnu), of the Central Committee of the SED, will be the suc-
        cessor to the present Minister, Lothar Bolz. It is rumored that the
        latter will become Minister for Foreign Affairs.

    b. The Ministry for Construction is at present divided into two secretariats,
        one for building matters (Bauwesen) and the other for construction details
        (Bauwirtschaft). The Secretariat for Building (Bauwesen) carries out the
        functions of the former Bau Polizei. The Secretariat for Construction
        (Bauwirtschaft) controls the Bau Unionen.

    c. The reorganization of the Ministry.

        It is expected that the Ministry will soon be reconstructed as the Minis-
        try for Building (Ministerium fuer Bauwesen) with mainly civilian func-
        tions. The so-called Bau Unionen of the State Armed Services (Bau Unionen
        der nationalen Streitkraefte) will come directly under the control of the
        Office for Economic Questions (Buero fuer Wirtschaftsfragen-BfW). This
        office already has some say in the administration of the new type Bau
        Unionen. The present structure of the Secretariat for Construction (Bau-
        wirtschaft) is shown in Appendix A.

2. The reorganization of the Bau Unionen.

    a. There are at present 29 Bau Unionen, which are in the process of being
        reorganized. This reorganization includes the formation of the new type
        Bau Unionen of the State Armed Services, which are to be responsible for
        the construction of all installations of a military nature. Bau Union
        Schwerin is to be dissolved, and its present director, Walter Jahn, is to

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head the Bau Union Coastal, based at Schwerin instead of at Greifswald as originally planned.[1] Bau Union Plauen is also to be dissolved. Three Bau Unionen, those at Cottbus, Panwitz and part of Naumburg, are to form a newly constituted Bau Union of the East German railroad.

b. The existing Bau Unionen include:

Bau Union	Headed by:
Stralsund	Bochow (whose commercial director is Zeise)
Berlin	Kleinmichel
Wismar	Henrichson
Rostock	Glauche
Potsdam	Richter
Brandenburg	Morgenstern
Fürstenberg	Schneider
Wernigerode	Burgen
Nordhausen	Stange
Magdeburg (formerly Bau Union Mitte)	Ertwig
Dresden (not the same as Bau Union Sued at Dresden)	Uhlemann
To be East German railroad Bau Union (Panwitz	Wahren
(Cottbus	--
(Naumburg (part)	--
To be dissolved (Plauen	--
(Schwerin	Walter Jahn (to head the new Bau Union Coastal at Schwerin)
(Prenzlau	-- (Prenzlau is to be Bau Union North East. The commercial director is Dahms)
Jena	--
Erfurt	--
Aue	--

3. **Soviet liaison.**

Colonel Kirin (fnu)[2] is known to have been having some say in the direction of the affairs of the Secretariat for Construction.

4. **SAF visit.** Four or five SAF officers, headed by a colonel, were in conference with State Secretary Mayer for part of Friday, 5 September.

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2. ☐ **Comment.** Not further identified.

State Secretary
Wilhelm Mayer

Chief administrator of construction industries
(Hauptverwaltung Bau Industrie)
(Haferang)

Personnel division | Investments division
(Personal Abteilung) | (Abteilung. Investitition)
(Nebold) | (Buchwald)

Planning division
(Abteilung Planung)
(Zoelsmann)

Deputy
(Boehm)

Construction management
(Bau Lenkung)
(Thiele)

Central Finance
Control Purchasing
(Mund)[1]

Construction supervision
(Bau Kontrolle)
(Eberl)

Division of material procurement
(Abteilung Material Versorgung)
(Faust)

Division for manpower
(Abteilung Arbeitskraefte)
(Lehmann)

Division of steel and construction mechanics
(Abteilung Stahl-und Bau-Mechanik)
(Westphal)

Special deputy
(Sonderbeauftragter)
(Wobus)

Bau Union Nord
at Sagard (Spiess)

Bau Union Sued
at Dresden(Zeltmann)[2]

Administration of steel construction
(Verwaltung Stahlbau)
at Leipzig
(Rudolf)

Bau Union
Nord Ost at
Prenzlau[3]

Bau Union Kuest
at Schwerin
(Walter Jahn)

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Administration of construction mechanics
(Verwaltung Bau-Mechanik)
(Kurtschke)
partly in Berlin, with VEB Geraetepark in
Magdeburg (Kurzhals)

Administration of industrial drafting
(Verwaltung Industrie-Entwurf)

Comments:

1. Mund is under Boehm for Finance Control, but has
   direct access to the State Secretary for Central
   Purchasing.
2. The head of the new Bau Union South at Dresden
   is the brother of the Minister of that name.
3. The name of the head of the new Bau Union North
   East at Prenzlau is uncertain but he used to be
   the district manager (Kreisbetriebsleiter).